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August 2020 Labor Market Review

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Economic Growth Region 2

Statistical Data Report for August 2020, Released October 2020

State Employment and Unemployment

Unemployment rates were lower in August in 41 states, higher in 2 states, and stable in 7 states and the District of Columbia, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported. All 50 states and the District had jobless rate increases from a year earlier. The national unemployment rate fell by 1.8 percentage points over the month to 8.4 percent but was 4.7 points higher than in August 2019.

Nevada had the highest unemployment rate in August, 13.2 percent, followed by Rhode Island, 12.8 percent, and Hawaii and New York, 12.5 percent each. Nebraska had the lowest rate, 4.0 percent, followed by Utah, 4.1 percent, and Idaho, 4.2 percent. In total, 29 states had jobless rates lower than the U.S. figure of 8.4 percent, 10 states had higher rates, and 11 states and the District of Columbia had rates that were not appreciably different from that of the nation.

Nonfarm payroll employment increased in 40 states and was essentially unchanged in 10 states and the District of Columbia in August 2020. Over the year, nonfarm payroll employment decreased in 49 states and the District and was essentially unchanged in 1 state.

The largest job gains occurred in New York (+153,300), Texas (+106,800), and California (+101,900). The largest percentage increases occurred in New Jersey, New York, and Virginia (+1.8 percent each); Kentucky and New Hampshire (+1.7 percent each); and Alaska, Indiana, and Massachusetts (+1.6 percent each).



Economic Growth Region (EGR) 2

Elkhart, Fulton,
Kosciusko, Marshall and
St. Joseph Counties

Unemployment Rates by State (seasonally adjusted): August 2020

U.S. - 8.4%

Illinois - 11%

Indiana - 6.4%

Kentucky - 7.6%

Michigan - 8.7%

Ohio - 8.9%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor
Statistics

Unemployment Rank by County (of 92 counties): August 2020

#5 - St. Joseph (8.2%)

#25 - Elkhart (6.1%)

#40 - Fulton (5.7%)

#50 - Kosciusko (5.4%)

#55 - Marshall (5.3%)

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development,
Research and Development, Local Area Unemployment
Statistics

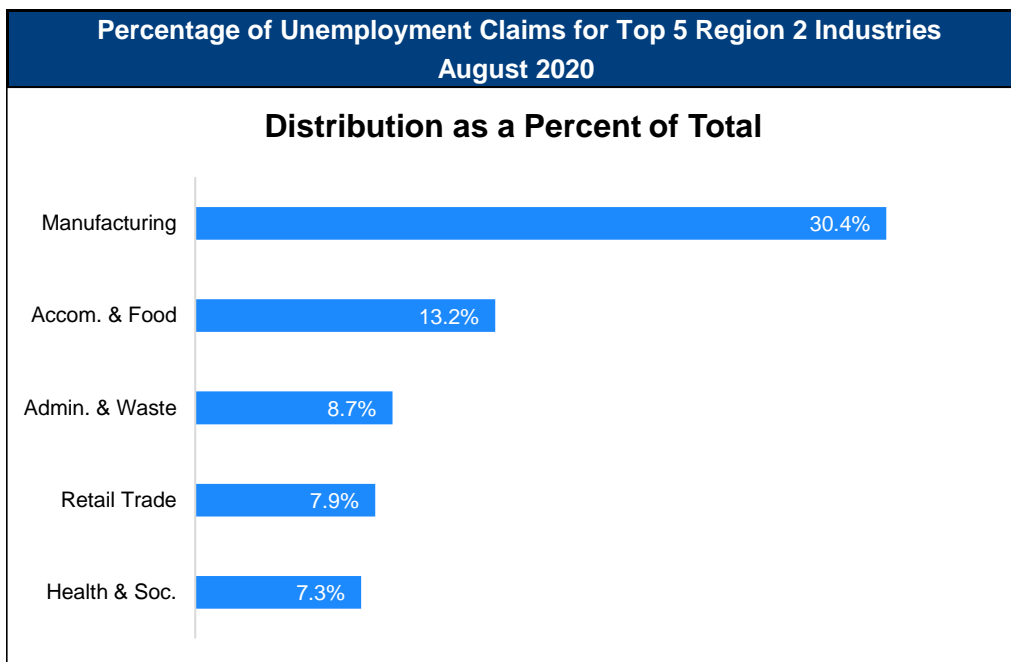
August 2020 Labor Force Estimates (not seasonally adjusted)

Area	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Aug-20	Jul-20	Aug-19
U.S.	160,966,000	147,224,000	13,742,000	8.5%	10.5%	3.8%
IN	3,364,666	3,147,142	217,524	6.5%	8.0%	3.4%
EGR 2	312,471	291,171	21,300	6.8%	8.7%	3.4%
Elkhart-Goshen MSA	107,061	100,519	6,542	6.1%	8.1%	3.2%
South Bend-Mishawaka MSA	155,894	143,114	12,780	8.2%	10.2%	3.9%
Elkhart Co.	107,061	100,519	6,542	6.1%	8.1%	3.2%
Fulton Co.	9,851	9,285	566	5.7%	7.1%	3.1%
Kosciusko Co.	41,847	39,591	2,256	5.4%	6.7%	2.9%
Marshall Co.	22,751	21,539	1,212	5.3%	6.9%	3.1%
St Joseph Co.	130,961	120,237	10,724	8.2%	10.2%	3.8%
Elkhart	25,493	23,276	2,217	8.7%	11.5%	4.1%
Goshen	16,811	15,735	1,076	6.4%	8.6%	3.1%
Mishawaka	25,517	23,493	2,024	7.9%	10.0%	3.6%
Plymouth	4,341	4,008	333	7.7%	9.6%	3.1%
South Bend	47,395	42,206	5,189	10.9%	13.5%	4.3%
Warsaw	7,769	7,261	508	6.5%	8.2%	3.1%

Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Local Area Unemployment Statistics | Unemployment Statistics Released:09/20 | Notes: The data displayed are presented as estimates only. The most recent month's data are always preliminary and are revised when the next month's data are released.

Consumer Price Index (CPI-U Change), Unadjusted Percent Change to August 2020 from				
CPI Item	Aug-19	Jul-20	Aug-19	Jul-20
	U.S. City		Midwest Region*	
All Items	1.3%	0.3%	1.1%	0.4%
Food & Beverages	4%	0.1%	2.9%	-0.3%
Housing	2.1%	0.2%	2%	0.3%
Apparel	-5.9%	1.8%	-7.7%	1.2%
Transportation	-4.1%	0.8%	-3.4%	1.2%
Medical Care	4.5%	0.1%	4.3%	0.5%
Recreation	1.3%	0.6%	0.7%	0.5%
Education & Communication	2.3%	0.4%	2.7%	0.4%
Other Goods & Services	2.2%	-0.2%	1.7%	-0.7%

*Midwest region = Midwest Urban Average. Midwest Region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin | Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis

WARN Notices

WARN Notices for Region 2 for August 2020				
Company	City	County	# affected	Notice Date
Universal Bearings, LLC	Bremen	Marshall	61	8/28/2020

Unemployment Claims: August 2020

Region 2

Initial Claims

08/01/20 - 1,529
08/08/20 - 1,235
08/15/20 - 1,266
08/22/20 - 1,190
08/29/20 - 1,165

Continued Claims

08/01/20 - 15,569
08/08/20 - 14,194
08/15/20 - 13,543
08/22/20 - 12,959
08/29/20 - 12,334

Total Claims

08/01/20 - 17,098
08/08/20 - 15,429
08/15/20 - 14,809
08/22/20 - 14,149
08/29/20 - 13,499

State of Indiana

Initial Claims

08/01/20 - 12,551
08/08/20 - 10,624
08/15/20 - 10,569
08/22/20 - 10,597
08/29/20 - 10,779

Continued Claims

08/01/20 - 199,336
08/08/20 - 183,083
08/15/20 - 170,341
08/22/20 - 164,569
08/29/20 - 158,742

Total Claims

08/01/20 - 211,887
08/08/20 - 193,707
08/15/20 - 180,910
08/22/20 - 175,166
08/29/20 - 169,521

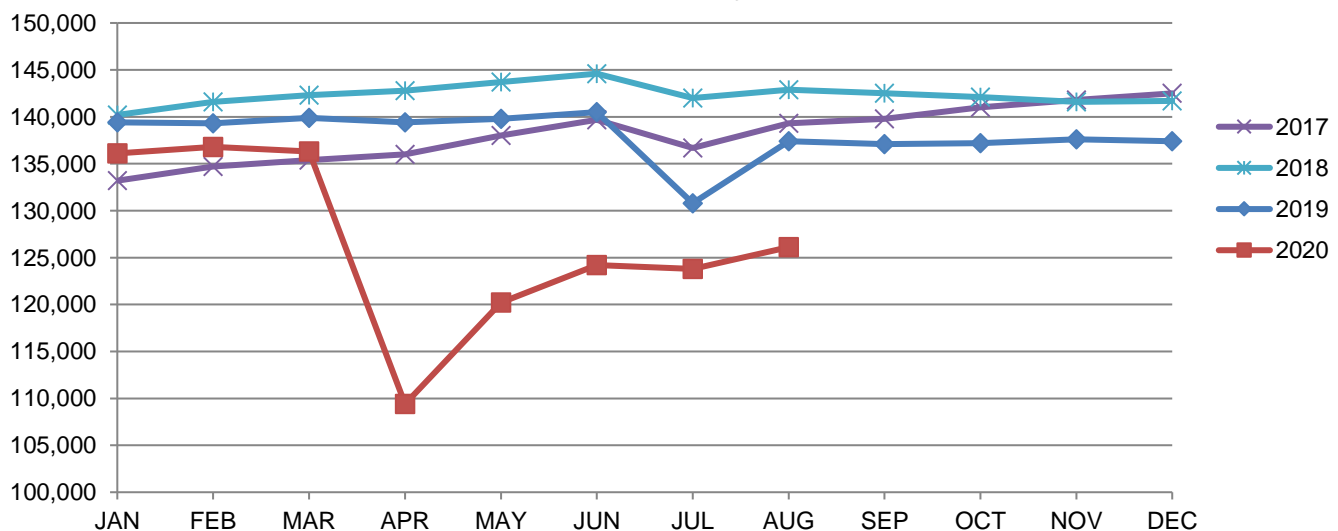
Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, WARN Notices | For information on WARN Act requirements, you may go to the U.S. Department of Labor Employment Training Administration Fact Sheet:

<https://www.doleta.gov/programs/factsht/warn.htm>

Elkhart-Goshen MSA						
Wage and Salaried Employment	August 2020			# Change	% Change	# Change % Change
Industry	Aug-20	Jul-20	Aug-19	Jul-20 to Aug-20	Aug-19 to Aug-20	
Total Nonfarm	126,100	123,800	137,400	2,300	1.9%	-11,300 -8.2%
Total Private	117,900	116,900	128,700	1,000	0.9%	-10,800 -8.4%
Goods Producing	62,400	61,300	70,300	1,100	1.8%	-7,900 -11.2%
Service-Providing	63,700	62,500	67,100	1,200	1.9%	-3,400 -5.1%
Private Service Providing	55,500	55,600	58,400	-100	-0.2%	-2,900 -5.0%
Mining, Logging and Construction	4,500	4,600	4,400	-100	-2.2%	100 2.3%
Manufacturing	57,900	56,700	65,900	1,200	2.1%	-8,000 -12.1%
Durable Goods	49,700	48,100	55,600	1,600	3.3%	-5,900 -10.6%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	33,900	32,700	35,000	1,200	3.7%	-1,100 -3.1%
Motor Vehicle Body and Trailer Manufacturing	30,400	29,500	29,200	900	3.1%	1,200 4.1%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	19,000	19,000	20,100	0	0.0%	-1,100 -5.5%
Wholesale Trade	6,600	6,800	7,100	-200	-2.9%	-500 -7.0%
Retail Trade	9,700	9,500	10,100	200	2.1%	-400 -4.0%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	2,700	2,700	2,900	0	0.0%	-200 -6.9%
Information	200	200	400	0	0.0%	-200 -50.0%
Financial Activities	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.0%	0 0.0%
Professional and Business Services	10,600	10,700	10,300	-100	-0.9%	300 2.9%
Education and Health Services	12,100	12,000	12,500	100	0.8%	-400 -3.2%
Leisure and Hospitality	6,600	6,700	8,000	-100	-1.5%	-1,400 -17.5%
Other Services	4,000	4,000	4,100	0	0.0%	-100 -2.4%
Government	8,200	6,900	8,700	1,300	18.8%	-500 -5.8%
Federal Government	400	300	300	100	33.3%	100 33.3%
State Government	300	300	300	0	0.0%	0 0.0%
Local Government	7,500	6,300	8,100	1,200	19.1%	-600 -7.4%
Local Government Educational Services	5,200	3,900	5,400	1,300	33.3%	-200 -3.7%

Source: Indiana Dept of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics

Elkhart-Goshen MSA Employment Trends

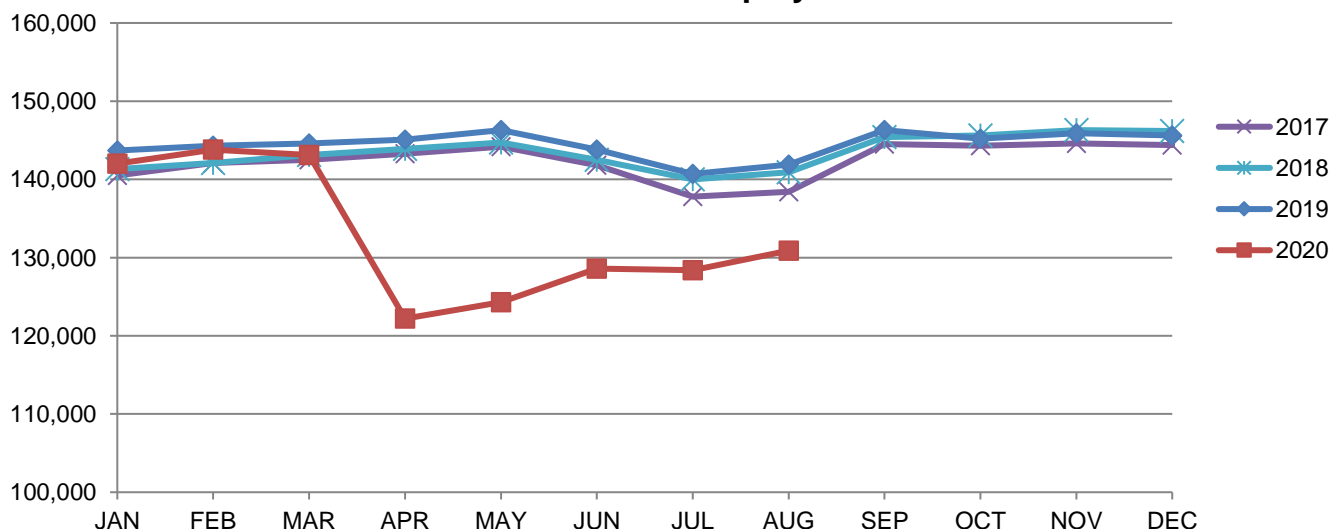


Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Current Employment Statistics | Note: Historical data for the most recent 4 years (both seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted) are revised near the beginning of each calendar year, prior to the release of January estimates for statewide data.

South Bend-Mishawaka MSA						
Wage and Salaried Employment	August 2020			# Change	% Change	# Change % Change
Industry	Aug-20	Jul-20	Aug-19	Jul-20 to Aug-20	Aug-19 to Aug-20	
Total Nonfarm	130,900	128,400	141,900	2,500	2.0%	-11,000 -7.8%
Total Private	117,000	115,700	127,800	1,300	1.1%	-10,800 -8.5%
Goods Producing	19,700	20,300	23,600	-600	-3.0%	-3,900 -16.5%
Service Providing	111,200	108,100	118,300	3,100	2.9%	-7,100 -6.0%
Private Service Providing	97,300	95,400	104,200	1,900	2.0%	-6,900 -6.6%
Mining, Logging and Construction	5,400	5,500	6,200	-100	-1.8%	-800 -12.9%
Manufacturing	14,300	14,800	17,400	-500	-3.4%	-3,100 -17.8%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	25,100	24,500	25,600	600	2.5%	-500 -2.0%
Wholesale Trade	6,600	6,600	6,700	0	0.0%	-100 -1.5%
Retail Trade	14,500	13,900	14,700	600	4.3%	-200 -1.4%
General Merchandise Stores	3,700	3,600	3,400	100	2.8%	300 8.8%
Transportation, Warehousing and Utilities	4,000	4,000	4,200	0	0.0%	-200 -4.8%
Information	1,200	1,200	1,400	0	0.0%	-200 -14.3%
Financial Activities	5,500	5,500	5,700	0	0.0%	-200 -3.5%
Professional & Business Services	13,700	13,100	14,600	600	4.6%	-900 -6.2%
Educational & Health Services	32,900	32,100	34,600	800	2.5%	-1,700 -4.9%
Hospitals	6,500	6,500	6,500	0	0.0%	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	12,900	13,000	15,300	-100	-0.8%	-2,400 -15.7%
Food Services and Drinking Places	10,700	10,600	11,800	100	0.9%	-1,100 -9.3%
Other Services	6,000	6,000	7,000	0	0.0%	-1,000 -14.3%
Total Government	13,900	12,700	14,100	1,200	9.5%	-200 -1.4%
Federal Government	1,100	900	1,000	200	22.2%	100 10.0%
State Government	2,200	2,200	2,300	0	0.0%	-100 -4.4%
Local Government	10,600	9,600	10,800	1,000	10.4%	-200 -1.9%
Local Government Educational Services	4,700	4,000	5,400	700	17.5%	-700 -13.0%

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Frequently Listed Jobs	
Top 20 job listings by number of openings in Region 2 in the past month	
Rank	Occupations
1	First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers
2	Production Workers, All Other
3	Light Truck or Delivery Services Drivers
4	Security Guards
5	Stock Clerks- Stockroom, Warehouse, or Storage Yard
6	Manufacturing Production Technicians
7	Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand
8	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses
9	Registered Nurses
10	Welders, Cutters, and Welder Fitters
11	Stock Clerks, Sales Floor
12	Cutting, Punching, and Press Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic
13	First-Line Supervisors of Transportation and Material-Moving Machine and Vehicle Operators
14	Retail Salespersons
15	Coating, Painting, and Spraying Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders
16	Engineers, All Other
17	Nursing Assistants
18	Social and Human Service Assistants
19	Customer Service Representatives
20	Dentists, General

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Applicant Pool	
Top 20 occupations desired by applicants on their resumes in the past 12 months	
Occupations	# of applicants
Production Workers, All Other	6,707
Assemblers and Fabricators, All Other	4,555
Helpers--Production Workers	3,478
Cashiers	1,656
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	1,641
Customer Service Representatives	1,586
Office Clerks, General	1,266
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers	1,183
Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	1,083
Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers	1,053
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	1,035
Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks	977
Packers and Packagers, Hand	960
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	924
Office and Administrative Support Workers, All Other	922
Retail Salespersons	876
Nursing Assistants	862
Receptionists and Information Clerks	847
Managers, All Other	836
Team Assemblers	767

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Indiana Career Connect

Statewide Average Weekly Hours & Earnings by Industry for August 2020

Industry	Average Earnings (per hour)	Average # of hours worked (weekly)	Average Earnings (per week)
Construction	\$27.39	39.3	\$1,076.43
Manufacturing	\$20.69	41.8	\$864.84
Durable Goods	\$22.11	42.7	\$944.10
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	\$19.40	39.6	\$768.24
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	\$23.03	41.4	\$953.44
Non-Durable Goods	\$17.18	39.6	\$680.33
Retail Trade	\$16.33	30.2	\$493.17
Financial Activities	\$26.19	35.4	\$927.13
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$23.97	33.8	\$810.19
Accommodation and Food Services	\$12.38	23.9	\$295.88
Food Services and Drinking Places	\$12.13	23.4	\$283.84

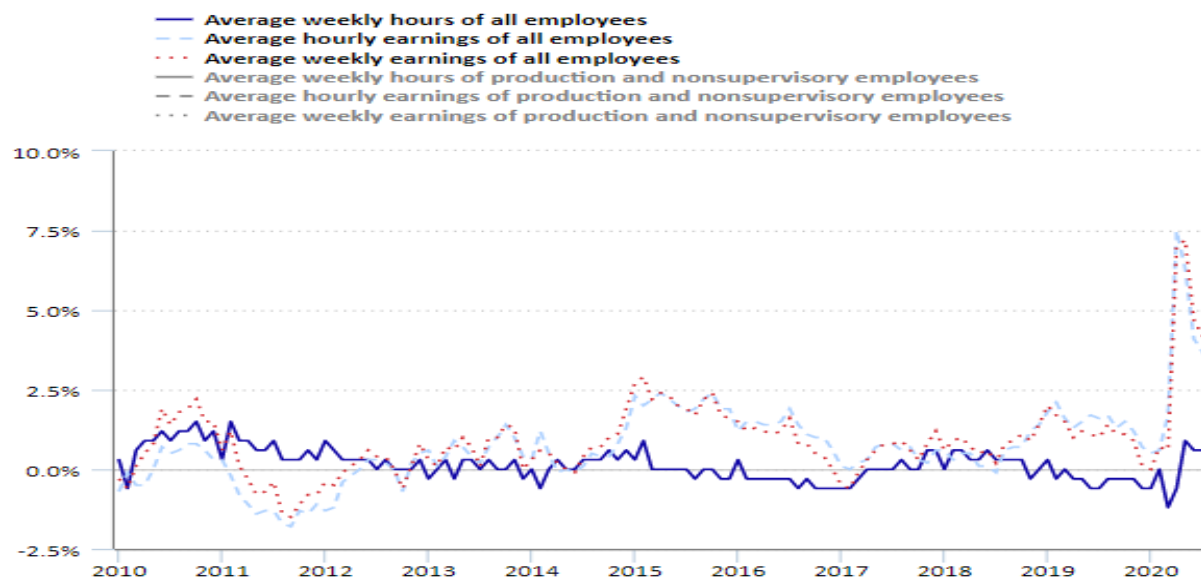
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Real weekly earnings up 3.9 percent for year ended August 2020

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Real average hourly earnings increased 3.3 percent from August 2019 to August 2020. The change in real average hourly earnings combined with an increase of 0.6 percent in the average workweek resulted in a 3.9-percent increase in real average weekly earnings over this period. The increases in real average hourly and weekly earnings largely reflect the substantial job loss over the year among lower-paid workers as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and efforts to contain it.

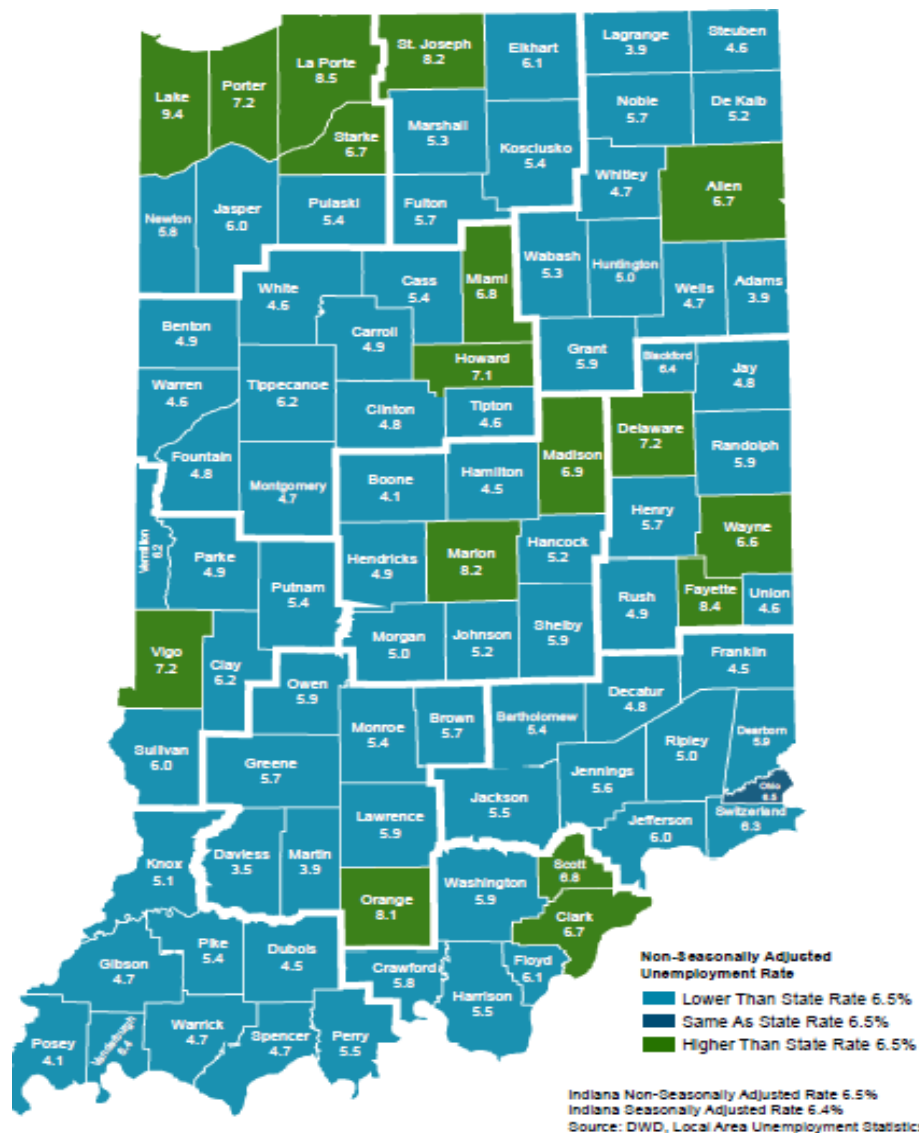
12-month percent change in real average weekly hours, hourly and weekly earnings, private sector employees, seasonally adjusted



From August 2019 to August 2020, real average hourly earnings increased 3.5 percent for production and nonsupervisory employees. The change in real average hourly earnings combined with a 1.2-percent increase in the average workweek resulted in a 4.7-percent increase in real average weekly earnings over this period.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *The Economics Daily*, Real weekly earnings up 3.9 percent for year ended August 2020 on the Internet at <https://www.bls.gov/opub/ted/2020/real-weekly-earnings-up-3-point-9-percent-for-year-ended-august->

County Unemployment Rates August 2020 - Non Seasonally Adjusted



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